The English Major provides a flexible program. Students who major in English participate in increasingly intensified study of language and literature that includes English, American, and foreign literature in translation. Upon graduation, English majors are well qualified to enter nearly all fields that do not require previous technical and professional training.

Although the English major is an excellent preparation for a variety of careers, many students will seek licensure to teach, and others will choose to enter graduate school. English has long been recognized as a desirable major for prelaw and premedical studies. It is also beneficial for students who enter such fields as journalism, editing, communications, diplomacy, advertising, and personnel work.

A “Guide for English Majors and Minors” is available upon request from the departmental office. It provides current advice on planning a major or minor. Additional guidance is available from the Director of Undergraduate Studies in English and from faculty advisors.

**Overall Requirements**

- 120 credit hours, to include at least 36 credits at or above the 300 course level
- Minimum of 36 credits of English above the 100 level is required.
- No requirement for the major may be met by a grade lower than C-

**Degree Program Requirements**

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**Historical Perspectives**

- Medieval to Enlightenment - Select one of the following:
  - Medieval to Enlightenment - Major British Authors: Medieval to Eighteenth Century
  - Medieval to Enlightenment - Transcultural Literatures: Medieval to Enlightenment
  - Medieval to Enlightenment - Colonial and U.S. Literature to 1865

**Romantic to Postmodern** - Select one of the following:

- Romantic to Postmodern - Major British Authors: Romantic to Modern
- Romantic to Postmodern - U.S. Literature Civil War to the Present

**Perspectives on Literature**

- Pre-1800 - Select two courses in literature before 1800 (only one of which may be Shakespeare) of the following:
  - English Women Writers before 1800
  - Dante in English
  - Introduction to Chaucer
  - English Literature to 1500
  - The Seventeenth Century
  - Topics in Pre-1800 Literature
  - The Restoration and the Eighteenth Century
  - Early American Literature
  - English Drama to 1800
  - Old English
  - Middle English Literature
  - Milton
  - Eighteenth-Century British Writers
  - Shakespeare: Early Plays and Sonnets
  - Shakespeare: Later Plays
  - Shakespeare

- Post-1800 - Select one course in literature after 1800 of the following:
  - Postcolonial Literatures
  - Studies in Human Rights and Literature
  - Women in Literature
  - Southern Writers
  - The Romantic Period
  - The Victorian Period
  - English Literature from Victorian to Modern
  - Topics in Post-1800 Literature
  - Contemporary British Literature and Culture
  - The Twentieth-Century English Novel
  - The American Novel through World War I
  - The Twentieth-Century American Novel
  - The Contemporary Novel
  - Modernism
  - Modern Poetry
  - Contemporary Poetry
  - American Romanticism
  - Early African American Writers
  - Topics in Native American and Indigenous Studies
  - African American Writers after the 1920s
  - American Life-Writing
  - Literature and the Environment
  - Nineteenth-Century British Writers
  - Modern British Writers
  - American Poetry After 1900
  - Twentieth-Century British Poetry
  - American Poetry Before 1900
  - American Prose Before 1900
  - American Prose After 1900
  - Modern Drama
  - Critical Approaches to the Study of Literature

**Approaches to Rhetoric**

- Critical Approaches to the Study of Literature
- Approaches to Rhetoric
**Disciplinary Honors in English**

**Requirements**
- A minimum of 12 credit hours as defined below.
- UNC Greensboro cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better or, for transfer students, cumulative GPA of 3.30 or better from all prior institutions.

**Honors Work**
- Select 9 credits of Honors course work, at least 6 of which must be in English. Honors course work may consist of any combination of the courses listed below:
  - ENG 493 Honors Work
  - Contract Honors courses in English at the 300 level or above
  - Any other Honors course outside of the English department

* Taken for up to 3 credits.

**Recognition**
Students who complete the program will be recognized at a banquet held at the end of the spring semester. The designation “Completed Disciplinary Honors in English” and the title of the Senior Honors Project will be printed on the student's official transcript.

**Additional Requirements**

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**World Literature**

Select one of the following:
- ENG 201 European Literary Classics: Ancient to Renaissance
- ENG 204 Nonwestern Literary Classics
- ENG 209 Topics in Non-Western Literature
- ENG 315 Postcolonial Literatures
- ENG 316 Studies in Human Rights and Literature

Select two additional courses in English at or above the 200 level

Besides completing the above courses in English, candidates for teaching licensure must meet additional requirements, including admission to teacher education (end of sophomore year) and to student teaching (junior year), successful completion of Praxis, and course work outside the English Department. For full current information about all requirements contact the School of Education Office of Student Services at 336-334-3410 and consult the UNC Greensboro Teacher Education Handbook. Note: admission to teacher education and student teaching in English requires a minimum grade point average of 2.75, overall and in the major.

**Electives**

Select electives sufficient to complete the 120 credit hours required for degree.

**Accelerated B.A. to M.A.**

The Accelerated BA to MA in English requires 30-36 credit hours and is designed for those planning to pursue a doctorate; to teach in community colleges, technical institutes, or some undergraduate colleges; and to work in non-academic settings. Three plans of study beyond the core requirements are offered:

1. Thesis Plan
2. Teaching Composition Plan
3. Careers in the Humanities Plan

**Application and Admission**

Qualified UNC Greensboro undergraduate students may apply for admission to the Accelerated Master's Program (AMP) in English. A cumulative undergraduate GPA of at least 3.5 based on at least 30 credits earned at UNC Greensboro is required. Applicants must have completed at least 60 credits and may not apply for admission to the AMP before the first semester of the junior year.

**English has the following additional requirements for AMP applicants:**

At least 15 credits of undergraduate English courses at the 200 level or above, with an earned 3.5 GPA in these courses.

Standard application requirements for the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree program, excluding GRE scores (i.e., undergraduate transcript(s), three letters of recommendation, statement of purpose, writing sample, and resume or cv).

AMP applicants must complete the Accelerated Master’s Program information along with their application for admission to the English M.A. degree program. Students admitted to the AMP program may apply a maximum of 12 credits of graduate-level course work toward completion of both the undergraduate and graduate degrees, provided that they earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in each graduate course and fulfill graduate-level requirements.

**Courses**

Up to, but not more than, 12 credits of graduate courses may be double-counted. For a course to apply toward both degrees, the student must earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in the course and fulfill graduate-level requirements.

The M.A. degree requires 30-36 credit hours of graduate-level course work. If the maximum of 12 credits is double-counted toward both the undergraduate and graduate degrees, the student must complete a minimum of 18 credits of further graduate-level course work to complete the M.A. degree. No more than 9 credits at the 500 level may be counted toward the M.A. degree. Please see the University Catalog for a full description of the M.A. degree requirements.

The following courses have been identified as those that may be counted toward the B.A. and M.A. degrees. These courses have been chosen because they are well suited to AMP students and because they are offered frequently enough to provide students substantial opportunity to...
enroll in them. All courses that lead to the completion of the M.A. degree must be approved by the Graduate Program Director.

The following courses may be counted toward both the bachelor and master's degrees:

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* May be repeated twice for credit when topic or instructor varies.

Please consult with an advisor to determine how the courses taken at the graduate level will meet requirements in the bachelor's degree program. All degree requirements for the M.A. in English will remain the same.